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## POLLOCK AGAIN ON THE COAST.

### Large Quantity off Halfway Rock Thursday Afternoon.

Pollock showed again off here Thursday and in goodly numbers. In the afternoon they put in appearance off Halfway Rock. Yesterday it blowed too hard for the seiners to go after them and today also it is blowing hard.

The report of the pollock showing was brought in here Thursday afternoon by Capt. G. F. O. Hanson of the fish commission steamer Ocean View. Capt. Hanson says the schools were all the way from Halfway Rock to Egg Rock. The fish were large and the schools stayed up on the surface and showed in good shape.

#### MILLIONS OF FLOUNDERS.

#### Will Be Released on Maine Coast in Next Two Weeks.

It looks as if the fishermen along the western coast of Maine would flounder in flounders during the coming summer. The fishing commission sch. Gannet has been busily at work gathering in the fry from this type of fish and up to the present time has taken 420,000,000 to the hatchery at Boothbay. These fry are now being hatched out and inside of two weeks they will be ready to be planted along the coast. This will be done in the waters west of Pemaquid head.

It has been only a short time since the Gannet started after flounder fry and during the period she has been engaged on the work the men aboard of her have gathered to date more than were secured during the whole of last winter for the work then netted but 218,000,000 fry. The greater part of those taken this year have been taken near Casco bay and carried from here to Boothbay to be hatched.

But flounder eggs are not the only ones secured during the past few weeks. Lobsters have been given attention and a large number of cod eggs have been secured; 5,000,000 of these are now being hatched at Boothbay. Up to the present time, the season has been far more successful than last year. The past few days, however, have seen a falling off in the number of eggs secured owing to the rough weather. This has kept the fishermen in port and the steamer has consequently had no supply from which to draw. April promises to be a record breaking month in the work.

#### Portland Fish Notes.

Thursday's arrivals: Sch. Topsail Girl, with 8000 lbs. fish; sch. George H. Lube, 6000; Albert D. Willard, 8000; Fanny Hayden 6000; sch. Dauntless, 3000 pollock.

Capt. Sol Jacobs was in port again Thursday with his schooner, the Elmer E. Gray. He came in light and proceeded to Gloucester yesterday to fit out for the southern mackerel fishery.

There is plenty of activity among the small sloops that have been hauled up during the winter and their owners are now getting them ready for service. This is especially true of the small fleet that has been lying between Long and Central wharves.

The steamer Governor Douglas, hailing from Beverly, came in Thursday for supplies. The steamer has in former years been run as an excursion boat carrying parties between Beverly and Salem, but has been chartered for the season by Burnham & Morrill to carry supplies and fish from Port Clyde to Jonesport.

#### Dominion Ice Report.

The Dominion Ice Report for Wednesday says:

L'Islet, River Du Loup, Father Point, Matane, Martin River, Fame Point, Point Esequimac, Cape Tormentine, Cape Bear, East Point, St. Paul's Island, Mulgrave, Flat Point—No ice.

Cape Despair—Ice moving south. Point Maquereaux—Light open ice everywhere.

Cape Traverse—Light open ice. Anticosti, West Point—No water in sight.

Southwest Point—Light close packed distant, moving south.

Cape St. Lawrence—Heavy close packed inshore, moving east.

Cape North—Light close packed distant, moving southeast.

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## FISH WEEK HAD TAME ENDING.

### Only Fares This Morning Are Via Other Ports.

The fish week here has a very indifferent ending. No fares are in direct from the fishing grounds and two vessels with fish from other ports tells the whole story.

Sch. Mildred Robinson came from Boston yesterday afternoon with 50,000 pounds of fresh fish from LaHave and sch. Agnes came from Portland during the night, having landed her fresh halibut, with 5000 pounds of flitch halibut and 3000 pounds of salt cod. Quite a number of the shore boats are in our harbor.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mildred Robinson, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Agnes, via Portland, 5000 lbs. flitch halibut, 3000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Cynthia, via Boston.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.

Sch. Valentinna, shore.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, shore.

Sch. Manomet, shore.

Sch. Mary B. Greer, shore.

Sch. Elva L. Spurling, shore.

Sch. Vanessa, halibuting.

Steamer Quoddy, shore.

Steamer Nomad, shore.

Sch. Clintonia, south seining.

Sch. Aloha, south seining.

Sch. Tattler, dory handlining.

Sch. Annie M. Parker, cory handlining.

Sch. Corona, halibuting.

Sch. Paragon, halibuting.

Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon, eastern deck handlining.

Sch. Priscilla, shore.

Sch. Athlete, dory handlining.

#### Today's Fish Market.

Bank halibut, 10c per lb. for white, and 8c for gray.

Georges halibut, 10c per lb. for white and 8c for gray.

Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.

Large salt handline Georges cod, \$3.50; mediums, \$3.00.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3 per cwt.; medium, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1.25; salt hake, \$1.25.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.60; medium cod, \$1.40; cusk, \$1.60 for large, \$1.20 for medium and 50c for snappers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 90 cts.; pollock, round, 65 cts.; dressed, 70 cts.

#### Salt Mackerel Imports.

The imports of salt mackerel at Boston to date, of the catch of 1909 are 32,392 barrels against 42,419 barrels to date last year of the catch of 1908.

#### No Fresh Bait.

There is no fresh bait today at either Provincetown or Boothbay Harbor.

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#### Nova Scotia Vessels Fitting Out.

During the past few days the wharves along the southern end of the Halifax waterfront have been lined with crack fishing vessels, which are fitting out for the spring cod trip on the western banks. The vessels belong to the Lunenburg fleet and come to Halifax for supplies and bait. There are 50 vessels in the Lunenburg fleet and they have been sailing out of that harbor since the 15th of the month, on their spring trip. Most of the vessels get their supplies at their home port, but some come to Halifax. The following Lunenburg vessels which have arrived at Halifax during the past few days, cleared at the custom house Wednesday for the banks: Tribune, Oregon, Foster Rice, Yukon, Hazel L. Ritcey, Hawanee Cook, Russel H. Pentz.

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#### MACKEREL FLEET START.

#### Three of the Southern Seiners Will Get Away Today.

Three of the southern seining fleet will make a start on their journey toward Cape Hatteras today. The crafts are schs. Clintonia, Capt. Ralph Webber; sch. Oriole, Capt. Charles Maguire, and sch. Aloha, Capt. John McInnis.

#### Lunenburg, N. S., Fish Notes.

The Dublin Shore schooner Mildred M. Bell has been sold to Newfoundland parties. She will load her fall catch of fish for the Halifax market. After discharging she will pass into the hands of her new owners.

The following schooners, sailed for the banks Wednesday: Assurance, Eva June, Cecil L. Beck, Earl Grey, Edith Marguerite, Warren G. Winters, Alhambra, Muriel M. Walters, Nikola and Lila D. Young.

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#### Portland Fish Notes.

Wholesale fish dealers report that the high prices on meats is causing a largely increased demand for fish from quarters where until the present season shipments have been very light. The demand is more especially for finnan haddies and the shipments the past two weeks have been unusually heavy. One refrigerator car filled with the smoked fish has left this week for San Francisco and two cars have or will soon start for Chicago. Portland has for many years enjoyed quite a trade in the finnan haddie business, but the lookout at present favors a decidedly larger business than ever before known. Large quantities of the fresh fish have been purchased in Boston the past fortnight and brought here for smoking purposes, some 600 boxes having come down by steamer this week.

Friday's arrivals: Schs. Katie Palmer, with 7000 lbs. fish; Fanny Hayden, 6000; Lochinvar, 8000 fresh fish.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Maxine Elliott was at Liverpool, N. S., Thursday and cleared.

Capt. Newman Wharton is here to fit sch. Arkona for dory handlining.

Capt. Hiram Forbes will now fit sch. W. E. Morrissey for a salt bank dory handline codfishing trip.

Sch. Avalon will now fit for dory handlining under command of Capt. Louis Wharton.

Capt. William Wagner is here to fit sch. Lottie G. Merchant for dory handlining.

Sch. Meteor has fitted for dory handlining under command of Capt. Manuel Caton and will soon get away.

Capt. Charles Rudolph is here to fit sch. Alice R. Lawson for dory handlining.

Capt. Daniel Rider will begin this week to fit sch. Elector for dory handlining.

#### Lost Portion of False Keel.

Sch. Smuggler of this port, one of the salt trawl bank codfishing fleet, while beating into the harbor at Port aux Basques, N. F., recently, ran on the Pancake and knocked off part of her false keel. She left soon after for the fishing ground off Rose Blanch, the accident not being serious enough to bother her fishing operations.

#### Have Painted Vessels Green.

The Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company now has quite a distinguishing mark on its banking vessels, for about all which have fitted out and sailed for the banks this spring have been painted a bright green from waterline to waterways. All the firm's bankers which are on the ways or will go on later will be painted the same color.

#### Southern Seining Fleet.

Sch. Pinta, Capt. Douglass McLean, and Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, will sail south seining today.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, will go today or tomorrow.

Sch. Oriole did not get away Saturday, Capt. Charles Maguire being somewhat ill.

#### Change in Lightship.

Nantucket Shoals Lightship No. 85 will be withdrawn from her station April 5 for some needed repairs, returning on April 15. In the meantime the station will be marked by Relief Lightship No. 66, which will show lights and sound fog signals having the same characteristics as those of No. 85.



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## GOOD DEMAND FOR HADDOCK

### But No Call For Offshore Cod by Boston Dealers.

The shore boats at T wharf this morning struck a good market, getting \$3.50 for haddock and large cod and \$3.60 for large hake. The two off shore crafts in from La Have found a demand for their haddock and got \$1.25 and \$1.50 for them. There is no sale for off shore cod, and pollock are off to \$1.25 and \$1.30.

The off shore vessels in are sch. Conqueror, Capt. Robertson Giffin, with 122,000 pounds of mixed fish and 3000 pounds of pollock and sch. Natalie J. Nelson, Capt. Albert Larkin, with 105,000 pounds of mixed fish and 4000 pounds of halibut, both fine fares. The halibut brought 12 and 10 cents.

Twenty-three of the market fleet are in and the fares run small, the most of them going from 500 pounds to 9000 pounds. There are some good ones, however, sch. Sadie M. Nunan having 31,000 pounds, sch. Margaret Dillon 20,000 pounds, sch. Massasoit 18,000 pounds, sch. Evelyn L. Thompson 16,000 pounds.

Some of the pollock fleet struck some fish off Halfway rock. Sch. Reliance came up from Gloucester with 18,000 pounds, and steamer Philomena came in from the grounds with 15,000 pounds. The Newburyport steamer Joppaite brought in 25,000 pounds.

This noon sch. Harvard, Capt. Hans Nelson, came in from a handline trip to Brown's bank, with the largest deck handline fare which has been landed at this port for a long time. Capt. Nelson hails for 40,000 pounds of salt cod, 30,000 pounds of fresh cod and 1500 pounds of halibut. It will be remembered that both the Harvard and Grayling, the deck handliners of Orlando Merchant's fleet, were spoken recently by Capt. James Goodwin in the haddocking sch. Benjamin A. Smith, the latter having struck phenomenal cod fishing there. Both anchored on the spot and even before the Smith left for home struck the same big fishing as did Capt. Goodwin.

Sch. Eugenia, Capt. John Williams, also arrived this noon from Brown's bank haddocking trip, with a fine fare, 75,000 pounds of fresh cod and haddock. The receipts in detail are:

#### Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Conqueror, 90,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 15,000 cusk, 2000 pollock, 3000 halibut.  
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 60,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 25,000 cusk, 10,000 pollock, 4000 halibut.  
Sch. Hockomock, 400 cod, 9000 hake.  
Sch. Mary E. Sennett, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake.  
Sch. Yankee, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Valentinna, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake, 2500 pollock.  
Sch. Motor, 9000 haddock.  
Sch. Morning Star, 600 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Diana, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Reliance, 18,000 pollock.  
Sch. F. D. Brown, 400 cod.  
Sch. Dixie, 3500 haddock, 800 cod.  
Sch. Esther Gray, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, 700 pollock.  
Steamer Philomena, 15,000 pollock.  
Sch. Massasoit, 3000 haddock, 500 cod, 10,000 hake, 4000 cusk.  
Sch. Florida, 3500 haddock, 3300 cod.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 14,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 2000 cusk, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Mary B. Greer, 300 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake, 2000 cusk.  
Sch. Thalia, 6000 haddock.  
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 2500 haddock, 3000 cod, 12,000 hake, 1000 cusk, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Washakia, 2000 haddock, 4000 cod, 6000 hake, 3000 cusk.  
Sloop Minerva, 2000 haddock.  
Str. Joppaite, 25,000 pollock.  
Sloop Thistle, 100 haddock, 600 cod, 300 pollock.  
Off-shore haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; off-shore large cod, no sales; off-shore market cod, no sales; shore haddock, \$3.50; shore large cod, \$3.50; shore market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.50 to \$3.60; cusk, \$1.25; pollock, \$1.25 to \$1.30; halibut, 12c for white, 10c for gray.

#### Halibut Fare at Portland.

Sch. Catherine Burke, Capt. Augustus G. Hall, of this port, is at Portland this morning with another big trip of halibut. This craft has been out but 23 days and Capt. Hall hails for 35,000 pounds of halibut. The trip is selling at 11 cents per pound right through for white and gray.

#### Beam Trawlers Burned.

The beam trawler Success, a small craft which has been operating with a beam trawl in Narragansett bay, took fire yesterday, while off Saunderson, R. I., and burned to the water's edge. The craft carried a crew of four men and they escaped in a rowboat.

#### Connecting Gasoline Engine with Windlass.

Sch. E. T. Hamor, a frequent visitor at this port, with cured fish cargoes from Maine ports, is having her gasoline hoisting engine connected with the windlass, so that the power may be used in weighing the anchor.

#### Called on Skippers and Owners.

George T. Moon of the George T. Moon Company and Amos G. Chesebro of Chesebro Bros. Fulton Market, New York, were here last week, calling on the seining skippers and vessel owners. Both were entertained during their stay by their many friends.

#### First of the Rips Fleet.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, one of the Rips fleet, has hauled out on the ways for painting, etc. She is the first of this fleet to make a move to get ready for the season's fishing. Capt. Clifford Hopkins will command her.

#### Will Buy Mackerel.

Capt. Charles H. Harty started today for Fortress Monroe, Va., where he will be buyer for Wilson & Barry, Fulton Market, New York, during the early mackerel seining season.

#### Halibut Sale.

The fare of fresh halibut of sch. Tacoma sold to the New England Fish Company at 12 cents per pound for white and 9½ cents per pound for gray.

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## BEST HANDLINING TRIP FOR MONTHS

### Sch. Harvard Hails For 70,000 Pounds of Cod.

The week opens in rather a dull manner this morning, one fresh halibut fare, a pollock trip and two shore boat catches being the sum total of fish arrivals in the early morning. Several of the pollock seining fleet are home from the eastward with no fish.

From Grand bank, sch. Tacoma, Capt. Adelbert Nickerson, has a nice fare of 25,000 pounds of halibut and 3000 pounds of flitches.

Sch. Reliance, Capt. John Nelson, one of the pollock seining fleet, has 14,000 pounds of fresh pollock.

The steam netters Quoddy and Nomad have small shore catches.

The week will be a busy one along the water front as many of the dory handliners and seiners will be fitting out.

Sch. Reliance, which got her haul of pollock off Halfway rock and came in here with them, went to Boston later to market.

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Sch. Elmer E. Gray, pollock seining.  
Sch. Dauntless, pollock seining.  
Sch. Rebecca, shore.  
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, shore.  
Sch. Jennie H. Gilbert, pollock seining.  
Sch. Harvard, Brown's Bank, handlining, 40,000 lbs. salt cod, 30,000 lbs. fresh cod, 1500 lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Eugenia Brown's Bank, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, shacking.  
Sch. Thalia, Boston.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.  
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.  
Sch. Valentinna, Boston.  
Sch. Paragon, halibuting.  
Sch. Pinta, south seining.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.  
Steamer Quoddy, netting.  
Steamer Nomad, netting.  
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#### Discussed Mackerel Situation.

Luke Wilson of the firm of Wilson & Barry, Fulton Market, New York, was a welcome visitor here Saturday and was pleasantly greeted by his many friends. He visited the Master Mariners' Association and Board of Trade and talked over the mackerel outlook.

#### Caught Lobster on Trawl.

Peter Nelson, one of the crew of sch. Rose Standish, which arrived at T wharf today, had a big lobster, which he caught on his trawls 22 miles east of Thacher's island yesterday in 55 fathoms of water. The crustacean weighed 10 pounds.

#### Kittery Fish Notes.

Wind Sunday heavy from southwest and the boats did not fish. All the cod netters in port. Gloucester boats had no fish. Fish reported quite plenty over around Wells Bay. Fleet fished off Bald Head Saturday as haddock seem to have moved that way.

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#### SEINERS DELAYED.

Head Winds Prevented Several Craft from Sailing Yesterday.

The southern seiners Pinta and Effie M. Prior, did not get away yesterday as was expected but will go today.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, will also sail today.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Reuben Cameron, is all ready and will sail tomorrow and sch. Speculator, Capt. Shea, will go today or tomorrow.

Capt. Charles Maguire has quite recovered from his recent illness and will take sch. Oriole out today or Wednesday.

Schs. Saladin, Diana and Arthur James are taking ice today and are on the list to sail this week.

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#### Seals at Conception Bay, N. F.

People who arrive at St. John's by the shore train say that the waters of Conception Bay, off Port de Grave, Wednesday, contained thousands of bedlamer seals. The oldest men of the place never remember to have seen so many. All the men of the place were out hunting them and shot hundreds. Men experienced in the seal fishery say that it is an indication that the main patch of seals are further south than usual this year.

#### Herring from Provincetown.

The first marketable lot of herring from Provincetown were received at Boston yesterday morning, and were quickly bought up by the fishing captains, who took the six barrels at a good price. Sand eels of bait size were also received from Provincetown, 40 barrels in the lot, and were taken by the shore boats that could not get part of the herring.

#### Bait at Provincetown.

There is fresh bait at Provincetown today, the traps making a haul of 300 barrels of large herring. Sales to vessels at \$3 per barrel.